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UCSF Newsbreak

War with Iraq Hits Close to Home

"You are ordered to active duty (AD). Purpose: Presidential Call-up." Thousands of men and women around the country have read these words from Uncle Sam over the last few months as the US inched towards war in the Persian Gulf. Most now have left for either Saudi Arabia or various military bases throughout the US. UCSF employees are no exception.

Approximately 20 military reservists at UCSF have been called to active duty since the beginning of the Gulf crisis, including two physicians and four nurses. An additional 50 others remain on various stages of alert, according to records kept by our Personnel Department.

Despite the sudden departures of the reservists, the call-up hasn't affected Medical Center staffing levels or patient care, according to Helen Ripple, director of nursing administration and a colonel in the Army Reserves. The greatest problems on campus created by the crisis are in the personal lives of the reservists who suddenly must leave their families and suffer significant salary cuts. In addition, some administrative posts and research projects are left hanging temporarily.

Helen, who served as an active duty nurse for five years during the Vietnam war, was scheduled to retire from the reserves last August 30. She has been "on hold" instead since the tension in the Mideast began.

Her greatest fear is not for her own safety, but for a nephew already serving in the nurse corps in the Mideast. "I worry more about him than I worry about myself," she said. "As time passes, I think there will be fewer and fewer people who don't know someone serving over there."

Newsbreak literally caught J. McLeod Griffiss of Laboratory Medicine at the VAMC on his way out the door to go to Fort Devens in Massachusetts. Because of knee surgery just two weeks ago, he will be at Fort Devens for at least four weeks for rehabilitation. A physician in the Vietnam war, Mac, as he is known by friends, says he worked for years to put the horrors of that war behind him. "I didn't think that I would have to again pick up the pieces of young men and women, dealing with their losses, their anger," Mac says. "You have to develop a different way of looking at things. You have to remove yourself from it all, develop an insensitivity. There is a kind of process of dying inside, a loss of humanity that goes along with this."

Mac says his 12-year-old son wanted to know why he hadn't left the reserves earlier so that he wouldn't have to be involved in this war. Mac explains, "I told him to imagine being an 18-year-old soldier in Saudi Arabia and in the middle of germ warfare. And he's injured and desperately needs someone to help him. But, there's no one there to help, because they didn't want to be part of the war. I'm needed. That's why I'm going."

Another UCSF reservist, now serving at Eisenhower Medical Center at Fort Gordon, Georgia, is oral surgeon Richard Gongloff, also from the VAMC. "I'm not happy about this," he said before leaving on January 22. "I basically joined the reserves in order to take advantage of the military's education program. Over the last several years I've been teaching military personnel about dental trauma experiences. I feel particularly sorry for the young people who joined the reserves for economic reasons, who now are caught in

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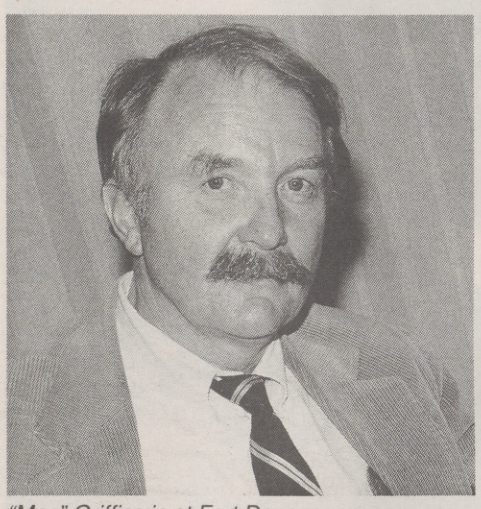

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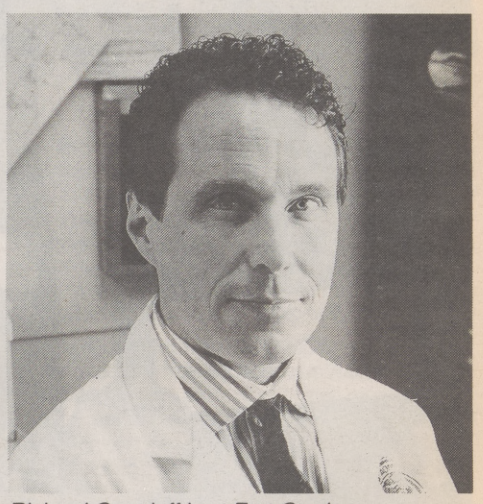

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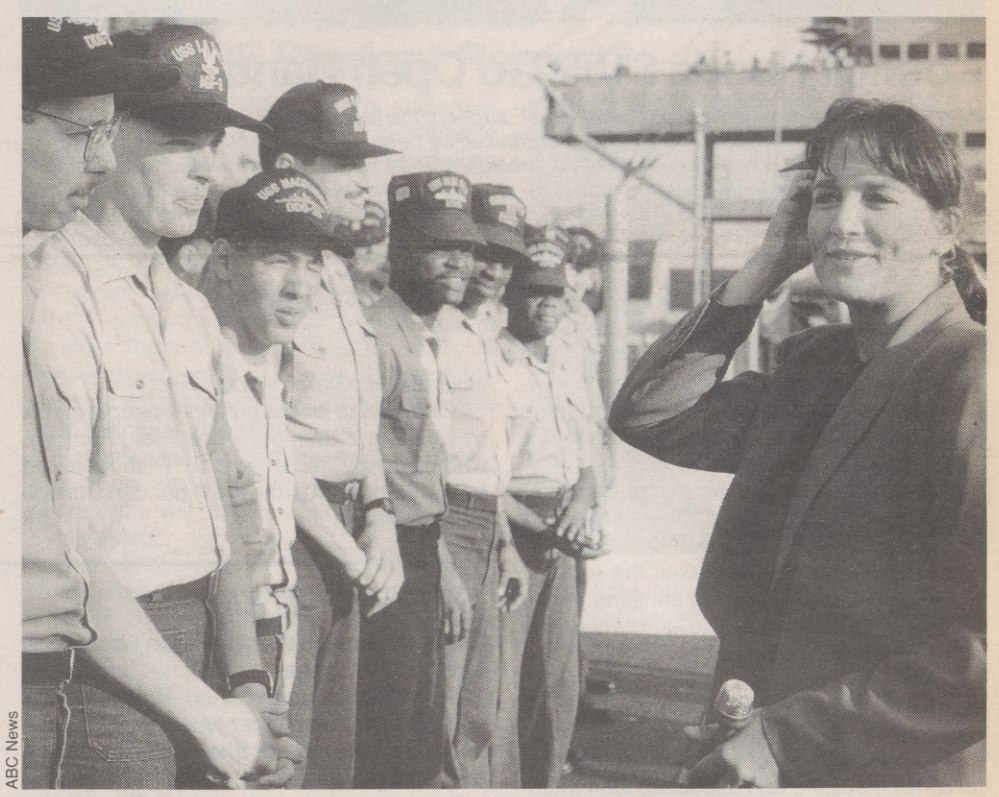

ABC News

Nancy Snyderman on board with US troops in Saudi Arabia

ACS Professorship to Alberts

Bruce Alberts, who recently stepped down as chair of the Department of Biochemistry & Biophysics, has been appointed an American Cancer Society Research Professor. The coveted grant, which will fund a substantial part of his salary at UCSF until his retirement, totals $875,000.

Alberts is well-known for his studies of the enzymes that faithfully and rapidly copy DNA when a cell divides, thus ensuring that each daughter cell gets a complete set of chromosomes. His research is basic to our understanding of the regulation of the cell cycle and control of cellular proliferation — two basic functions that go awry when a normal cell becomes cancerous.

By accepting this honor, Alberts has made history within the American Cancer Society: this is the second time he has been appointed a lifetime ACS Professor. In 1981 he accepted the honor, but was forced to resign the professorship when he became chair of the Department of Biochemistry & Biophysics, inasmuch as the award does not allow such a major administrative responsibility.

Court Gives Final Approval for UCSF Move to Laurel Heights

Superior Court Judge Ira A. Brown, Jr. has given UCSF the green light to move into our Laurel Heights campus facilities. In a decision handed down on January 10, Brown rejected the challenge of the Laurel Heights Improvement Association to our new Environmental Impact Report certified by the UC Regents.

This is the third court decision in a row in favor of UCSF. It concludes nearly five years of litigation, which at one point went all the way to the California Supreme Court. In this most recent decision Judge Brown denied the demand by the neighborhood association to require the UC Regents to withdraw and reconsider their certification of the EIR on grounds that it was inadequate.

"We are delighted with the court's decision," said Chancellor Krevans. "We now are going to move ahead on many exciting medical and scientific research and education programs of the School of Pharmacy and some School of Medicine programs in cancer, heart disease, diabetes and AIDS."

A previous EIR on the Laurel Heights project, which was challenged by the neighborhood association in August 1986, was found inadequate on two grounds by the California Supreme Court in December 1988. The court ordered a more thorough discussion of alternatives to the plan and a discussion of proposed future uses of the entire building rather than only the first half to be occupied. The section of the EIR which dealt with health and safety issues was upheld by the Court.

In response to the court's ruling, the University prepared an entirely new EIR, assisted by Environmental Sciences Associates (ESA). Over 17 months, UCSF expended some 21,000 hours and $1 million to prepare a state-of-the-art Environmental Impact Report which responded to neighborhood concerns about the project.

The Laurel Heights Improvement Association's challenge to the EIR was one of three separate lawsuits filed against UCSF by the group since 1986 seeking to block plans for the Laurel Heights campus; all of them now have been resolved in the University's favor.

Chancellor Krevans says he hopes "to establish a new spirit of cooperation between UCSF and its neighbors." But, is the struggle over? Well, maybe not. A lawyer for the neighborhood association said there possibly will be another appeal of Brown's January 10 ruling.

Parnassus Emissions Pose No Danger

An independent, city-sponsored review of the 1988 environmental assessment conducted by Radian Corporation for UCSF supports the conclusion that emissions from laboratories and hospitals at our Parnassus site have had little or no impact on surrounding neighborhoods.

The Health Department had arranged for the independent review of Radian's environmental assessment of UCSF at the request of neighborhood residents concerned about potential health risks. Marc Lappe, professor of health policy and ethics at the University of Illinois, Chicago, wrote the review.

Lappe concluded that the "net contribution of the research and teaching facilities of the Parnassus campus of UCSF to potentially carcinogenic or harmful chemicals in the air surrounding its facility is small, if not trivial, compared with other sources in the community."

Bowers Professorship Established

Thanks to a $500,000 donation from the Syntex Corporation, the School of Medicine has established the Albert Bowers Professorship in the Department of Biochemistry and Biophysics. Named in honor of the late chair and chief executive officer of the pharmaceutical company, the professorship will be reserved for the chair of the department, who currently is Ira Herskowitz.

In making the announcement, Syntex head Paul Freiman said he feels that UCSF is "the most appropriate place to provide an endowed fund to recognize Bert because of his long-term association with the School," adding that Bowers "served as one of the founding trustees for the UCSF Foundation, and it was at UCSF that he received excellent hospital care for the last few years."

Syntex develops, manufactures and markets human pharmaceutical products, medical diagnostic systems and animal health products. The corporation is best known for its anti-arthritis drug, Naprosyn.

Along with the $500,000 commitment, Syntex has invited members of its organization to contribute to the Bowers Chair through a matching gifts program. Other contributions have included $25,000 from Warner-Lambert Pharmaceuticals and $10,000 from the Zaffaroni Foundation, plus gifts from Genentech, Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc. and Pharmaceuticals Manufacturers Association.

Council Hands $1000 to Open Hand

Project Open Hand continues to receive UCSF support, the latest gesture involving a $1,000 check from the UC Council. In a luncheon organized by Langley Porter's Ann Poirier, chair of the Council's Staff Appreciation Committee, president Doug Hahn (left) presented Open Hand director Ruth Brinker (right) with the money — enough to provide meals for more than six months for a person with AIDS. The Council members raised the money through a bake sale.

Popular Pauling

The largest Brown Bag crowd in history — more than 500 people — filled two lecture halls to hear Linus Pauling discuss "How to Live Longer and Feel Better." His advice? "Take your vitamins, especially vitamin C," of course. Although Pauling came to UCSF to talk about his scientific work, the lecture coincided with a large anti-war ad he had placed in the New York Times *that day. Pauling is a two-time winner of the Nobel Prize, for chemistry in 1954 and for peace in 1962. Here, Pauling is surrounded by members of the audience after his talk.*

Passive Smoking . . . A Much Bigger Problem than Thought

Nonsmoking spouses of smokers are 30 percent more likely to die of heart disease than other nonsmokers, according to a new report by two campus heart experts.

The strong link between exposure to another person's tobacco smoke — known as passive smoking — and development of heart disease dramatically increases the number of deaths blamed on passive smoking, which previously has been linked to lung cancer and other forms of cancer.

"Passive smoking is a much bigger problem than anyone thought. This is the first clear statement that passive smoking causes heart diseases," said author Stanton Glantz, professor of medicine and associate staff member of the Cardiovascular Research Institute.

Glantz and co-author William W. Parmley, professor of medicine and chief of cardiology, based the report on their review of 10 recent epidemiological studies involving nonsmoking spouses of smokers.

Passive smoking results in an estimated 37,000 deaths annually from heart disease in the US, 20 times the number of lung cancer deaths attributed to passive smoking, according to the article published in the January issue of *Circulation*. The article attributes 3,700 deaths annually to lung cancer and 12,000 deaths annually to other forms of cancer caused by passive smoking.

The total of 53,000 annual deaths makes passive smoking the third leading cause of preventable death after active smoking and alcohol use, Glantz says.

"One can no longer put other people at risk by smoking in their presence," said Parmley, who recently received the Distinguished Fellowship Award from the American College of Cardiology.

Surgery Resident Research Day

Murray F. Brennan, chair of surgery at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, is the J. Englebert Dunphy Visiting Professor in the Department of Surgery the week of Jan. 28.

While on campus, Brennan will discuss "Glucose & Amino Acid Kinetics in Cancer Bearing Men" on Friday, February 1, at 11:15 a.m. as part of the department's "Resident Research Day" held in Toland Hall.

The following day he will discuss "Management of Soft Tissue Sarcoma" as part of Surgery Grand Rounds at 8:30 a.m., also in Toland Hall.

War *(continued)*

a war. I'll support this, but I don't believe in war," says Richard.

Administrative nurse Ann Dye from the Ambulatory Care Center was one of the first people to be recalled. She has been at Fort Carson, Colorado for nearly two months now.

Expecting to be recalled soon is Zina Mirsky, associate dean in the School of Nursing. In the reserves for nearly 29 years, Zina is a captain in the Nurse Corps PRIMUS (Physician Reservists in Medical Universities and Schools). While expressing deep concerns over the war itself, she says, "I'll go. It's my duty as a nurse." Zina says she does not know where she would be sent. "Any stateside hospital, I suppose, or one on a ship." In addition to Zina, there are two School of Nursing faculty who already have been recalled — both women.

Zina has 20 medical residents (mostly from UC) and another 7 graduate nurse students in her nurse corps. At the present time, students and residents are exempt from recall. Zina hopes it stays that way. "It would have a real tough effect on their training."

UCSF otolaryngologist Nancy Snyderman returned recently from Saudi Arabia, not as a reservist, but as a medical correspondent for ABC News. Also a medical reporter for KPIX-TV, Channel 5, Nancy was in the Gulf over Thanksgiving for 10 days to cover how the US medical community would be responding, not only stateside but in the field. "I went over there with a crew of 20 to be part of 'Good Morning America' with Charles Gibson," she explains. "I was quite honored. I was the only woman."

Nancy also has an intense interest in how many women are involved. "It's the first time ever that women are leaving their children to fight on the front lines. It's never been done before." Nancy says she came back from the Persian Gulf with the very strong feeling that the US soon would go to war, "because the build-up of troops was amazing." She adds, "I was impressed by our men and women over there. The troops were resolute about their role. They were very brave and professional. Incredibly well-trained."

Another hospital bracing for the effects of this war is our own affiliated VAMC.

The VA's health care system is the primary backup to the Department of Defense in case of war. The VAMC in San Francisco is a primary site. "We are reporting daily to a centralized location in West Virginia, the number of beds we have available and the number of beds we could have available in 72 hours," says VA public affairs officer Leslie Buchman. She explains that the VAMC here is one of two primary sites in the Bay Area to receive war casualties. The other is in Martinez.

What happens next? For now, "Operation Desert Storm" persists, and how it will continue to affect our lives remains to be seen.

There is a possibility of a "doctor draft." The Selective Service System has developed a little-known program to register and possibly induct physicians, nurses, dentists and a wide range of health professionals in the case of a national disaster.

According to the Selective Service, if the program were implemented, the government would register medical personnel 20 to 44 years old, male and female.

The program requires Presidential proclamation and an act of Congress, neither of which has happened at this writing.

Newsbreak will continue to print news of the Gulf and how it affects this campus community.

State Budget News . . . Not Good for UC

At the UC Board of Regents business meeting last week, UC President David Gardner warned of "hard choices" facing the University in response to a prospective UC budget that is reflective of the fiscal crisis now gripping the state.

Gardner said the Governor's budget for 1991-92 "falls so far short of funding UC's essential needs that our programs of teaching, research, and public service; accessibility to eligible students; and our historic policy of charging only modest student fees cannot be sustained."

He added that the budget "will require us to take unprecedented steps if we are to maintain the University of California as one of the world's leading centers of learning."

The budget is $2.2 million less than UC's current-year budget. It also is $295 million short of what the Regents proposed last fall as a "hold our own" budget for the 1991-92 fiscal year.

The budget does not include funds for salary adjustments or merit increases for faculty and staff, inflation costs of non-personal services, increased costs of Social Security and related benefits, or enrollment growth, explained William Baker, vice president for budget and university relations.

"The fact is, not only is there no increase in the University's General Fund budget, there is an actual decrease," Baker said. "Even though the budget indicates that funding is proposed for specific items, that funding is in fact canceled out by budget reductions elsewhere."

Student fee increases of 20 percent are among the provisions of the Governor's proposed budget. That means a $325 increase in fees for California residents, and a $1,608 increase for non-residents.

President Gardner told the Regents that he would return to them on February 14 with a more definitive response to the budget situation, following consultation both within and outside the University.

Transportation Needs Your Help

If you haven't filled out a Transportation Survey, which was sent to you by name not too long ago, please do so now. The results of the survey will help the Transportation Office keep pace with changing transportation demands, plus reduce air pollution and traffic congestion. But, they can't do it without your input. If you've lost your survey, please call Jim Wood at 476-1511.

Ed Needs Vanpool Riders

Ed Zerweck of the CVRI has just begun a vanpool for the Pittsburg/Concord/Pleasant Hill areas, and he needs riders. For more information call him at 476-9794 during the day or 458-0314 during the evening.

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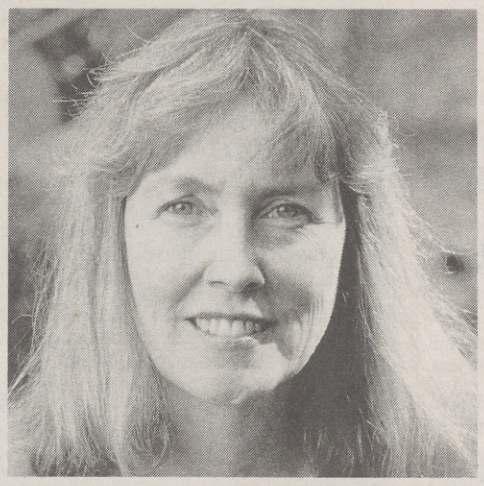
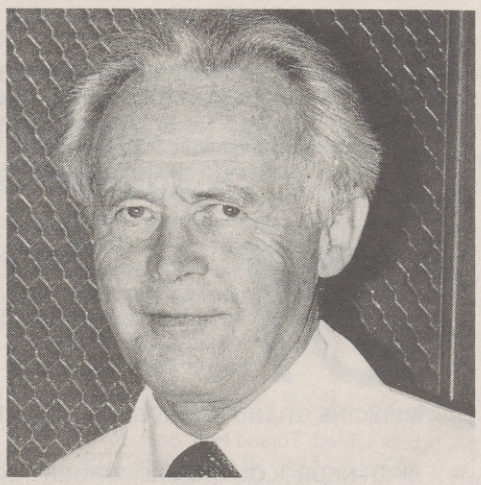


Patricia G. Calarco: Elected president of the Electron Microscopy Society of America. She will serve for one year each as president-elect, president and past president. Calarco is professor, anatomy.

Carmen Carrillo: Elected to the board of directors of CURAS (Community United in Response to AIDS/SIDA). She also was elected treasurer of the board of directors, Narcotics Education League in Oakland. Carrillo is assistant clinical professor, psychiatry.



Egil Harvold: To receive an honorary degree from the University of Wales Dental School during the University's Silver Jubilee celebration in July. The honorary degree recognizes Harvold's contributions to research in orthodontics. He is professor emeritus, dentistry and former chair of the Center for Craniofacial Anomalies.

Contracts & Grants

Information on contracts and grants is made available to this paper through individual departments, researchers or the funding agency.

James E. Cone: Received $198,451 for "Chemoprevention Trial of Beta Carotene & Retinol" from the National Cancer Inst.; $10,960 for "Primary Care Residency Faculty Workshop on Occupational Health" from NIOSH; $39,777 for "Computer-Assisted Training in Needlestick Prevention" from ERC, Inc. Cone is assistant clinical professor, medicine; chief, occupational health clinic, departments of family & community medicine & mental health, community & administrative nursing.

Jane A. Lipscomb: Received $12,140 for "Occupational Illness Recognition & Nurse Practitioners" from ERC, Inc. Lipscomb is director, occupational health nursing program; assistant professor, mental health, community & administrative nursing.

Kent Olson: Received $104,400 for "Toxic-Info Center: Environmental Hazard Information" from CA Dept. Hlth. Serv.; $74,000 for "Tox Information Center for Hazardous Material" from City & County of SF; $241,927 for "24-Hour Emergency Poisoning Information & Treatment Advice" from Alameda County. Olson is program director, Poison Control Cntr., SFGH; assistant clinical professor, pharmacology.

John D. Osterloh: Received $113,975 for "Environmental Lead, Nephropathy & Bone Activity" from NIEHS. Osterloh is associate professor, clinical laboratory medicine, medicine & laboratory medicine; director, toxicology lab, medicine/occupational medicine.

Robert Pytela: Received $100,000 for "Integrin Distribution in Tumor Cells" from the American Cancer Society. Pytela is assistant adjunct professor, medicine, SFGH & Pharmacology & Lung Biology Cntr.

David M. Rempel: Received $35,000 for "Semen Morphology & Pregnancy Outcome" from the March of Dimes. Rempel is assistant clinical professor, occupational medicine.

Dean Sheppard: Received $110,811 for "Role of Inflammation in Induced Airway Hyperactivity" from the NIH; $186,480 for "Effects of Acidity & Ozone on Airway Epithelium" from CA Air Resources Board. Sheppard is associate professor, medicine & Lung Biology Cntr.

William J. Welch: Received $152,075 for "Function of the Mammalian Stress Proteins" from the Natl. Inst. of General Med. Sci. Welch is associate professor, medicine, SFGH, Lung Biology Cntr. & physiology.

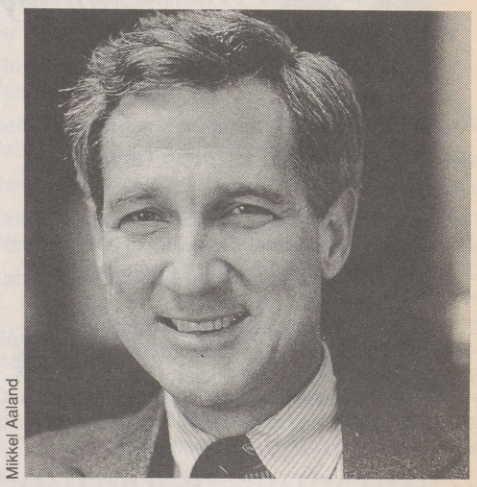
Publications

Merle A. Sande & **Paul A. Volberding:** Co-editors, *The Medical Management of AIDS* (W.B. Saunders, Philadelphia, 1990). Sande is professor, medicine; chief, medical services. Volberding is professor, medicine; chief, AIDS Program, SFGH; chief, clinical oncology, SFGH; director, Center for AIDS Research, SFGH.

Mimi Zeiger: Author, *Essentials of Writing Biomedical Papers* (McGraw-Hill, NY, 1991). Zeiger is lecturer in scientific writing, CVRI.

Appointments

David S. Bradford: Appointed professor & chair, Department of Orthopedic Surgery. Formerly a professor, orthopedic surgery & chief, spine surgery at the University of Minnesota Hospitals in Minneapolis, Bradford specializes in treating spinal problems and deformities in both children and adults, particularly scoliosis, in which the spine curves abnormally. In Minnesota, his appointments also included director of the Twin Cities Scoliosis Spine Center operated by the university. In his UCSF post, he plans to expand patient services in the department to include new programs in adult and children's reconstructive surgery, sports medicine, oncology, spinal problems and rehabilitation. Bradford had been on the faculty at Minnesota for the past 20 years. In addition to his teaching and patient care responsibilities, he was active on the medical staff hospital council, hospital planning committee, and several medical school committees.



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In Memoriam

Leonard A. West: An academic staff assistant II with the Department of Radiology since 1983, he transcribed taped reports by doctors so they could be included in a patient's records. He was made supervisor of pathology transcription in 1989 and helped carry out a two-year project to merge the pathology and radiology transcription departments. A member of three Harley-Davidson motorcycle clubs, West also had an avid interest in trains and train travel, carrying on an extensive correspondence with people across the country who shared his interest.

Gerald Lippolis: A supervisor in the library's catalog department since 1986, he came to UCSF as a library assistant in 1982. Lippolis was instrumental in handling a retrospective cataloging project that led to the library's complete collection catalog being available on computer. He also created a series of computer programs to facilitate on-line cataloging procedures.

Brady M. Farris: Coming to UCSF in July 1986 as an assistant mail processor in Addressing Services, he was promoted to mail processor just six months later. His responsibilities included receiving and coordinating mail processing jobs and assisting in the department's billing process.

Darnell . . . A Shoo-in as First UCSF Student Regent?

Diana Darnell, a UCSF graduate student in anatomy, has been chosen by a Regents subcommittee over two other student finalists to be recommended as a UC Student Regent for 1991-92. The full Board of Regents still needs to approve the recommendation at its February 14 meeting.

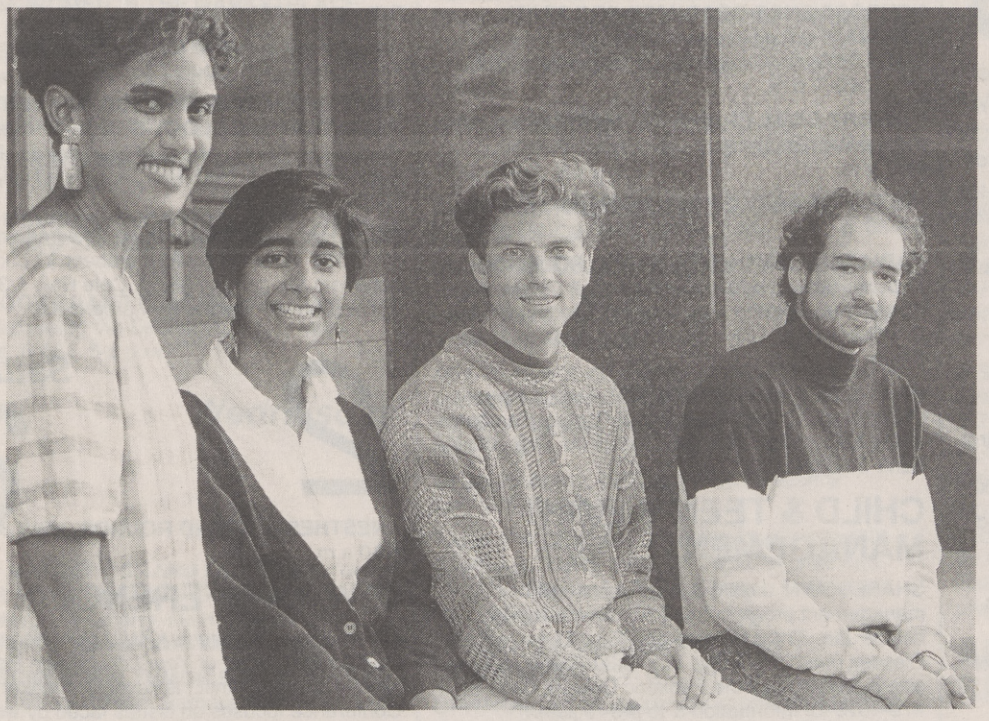
Darnell, who is in her seventh year at UCSF, will be the first UCSF student to be a Student Regent. She expects to receive a PhD in developmental biology in December, but may delay completion of the degree until 1992 if she is appointed.

Darnell, who is married, was among 62 applicants representing UC's nine campuses. She will replace Jenny J. Doh, a UC Irvine senior.

Darnell received her BS and MS degrees from Colorado State University. She has been a UCSF Graduate Student Association representative since 1984 (including a stint as president 1984-85), and has sat on several Universitywide committees, including student fees, student housing, and the Graduate Council Bureau, and has lectured in medical and graduate courses and taught visiting undergraduate and high school students.

Aviva Jacoby

One of Darnell's primary goals would be to keep student costs down. She says, "The Regents must insure that economic restrictions will not inhibit any resident from pursuing an education in any field by providing adequate financial aid and keeping fees low and equal for all students."



Howard Hughes Predoctoral Fellows

Kirsten Bibbins, Pratima Raghunathan, Paul Thomas and Julin Maloof (left to right) are the four students named Howard Hughes Medical Institute Predoctoral Fellows in Biological Sciences at UCSF. The fellowship program is a major investment by the Institute to promote the strength of biomedical sciences in the US and abroad, with an emphasis on encouraging diversity among students pursuing full-time graduate study in these sciences. Bibbins, a second-year student, is studying oncogenes in Harold Varmus' lab; Raghunathan and Maloof, first-year students, are studying biochemistry; and Thomas, another first-year, is studying biophysics.

UCSF Receives Universitywide AIDS Research Grants

Thirty-six UCSF researchers have received grant money from the Universitywide AIDS Research Program (UARP) including 17 continuing awards and the following new awards:

Nina Agabian, director, Intercampus Program in Molecular Parasitology: *AIDS Associated Candidiasis: Proteins Involved in Invasion.*

Albert E. "Ted" Benjamin, associate professor, social & behavioral sciences & Institute for Health Policy Studies: *Social & Behavioral Training in AIDS/HIV Research.*

Patricia Calarco, professor, anatomy: *HIV-1 Expression During Mammalian Development.*

Blesilia Castro, visiting research postdoc, CRI: *Biologic & Molecular Studies of HIV-2 Strains.*

John E. Conte, director, infection control: *Standard-Oral vs. Standard-Aerosolized Pentamidine for PCP.*

Robert J. Debs, assistant research physician, CRI: *Targeted Anti-Retroviral Therapy & Immunomodulation for HIV.*

Mary M. Dolcini, staff research associate, pediatrics: *Correlates of Multiple-Partnered Sex Among Heterosexuals.*

Margaret A. Durbin, clinical associate & assistant physician, pediatrics: *HIV Caseload: Does It Affect Medical Care Costs & Outcomes?*

Barbara J. Gerbert, assistant professor, dental public health & hygeine; chair, Division of Behavioral Science: *AIDS Care & Research: Public Opinion & Policy in the '90s.*

Lisa L. Gooze, assistant physician & clinical instructor, medicine: *The Dihydrofolate Reductase of Cryptosporidium.*

Robert W. Gorter, assistant clinical professor, medicine, SFGH & FCM: *HIV Infection in the Homeless Population of San Francisco.*

Leon McKusick, assistant researcher, medicine & Center for AIDS Prevention Studies: *Understanding & Preventing Risky Sex Relapse in Gay Men.*

Laron McPhaul, postdoctoral fellow, clinical labs, SFGH: *Molecular Analysis of AIDS Lymphomas.*

Carolyn Petersen, assistant professor, medicine: *Pellicle & Apical Complex Proteins of Cryptosporidium Zoites.*

Morris Schambelan, chief, Division of Endocrinology, SFGH: *Growth Hormone Treatment of HIV-Associated Catabolism.*

David Siegel, associate director, clinical epidemiology program, internal medicine: *Preventing AIDS in High Risk Adolescents.*

M. Michael Thaler, professsor, pediatrics: *HIV & Hepatitis C Virus Co-Infection in Mothers & Infants.*

James J. White, assistant physician & clinical associate, pediatrics: *Fusion Mechanism of the HIV Envelope Glycoprotein.*

Tien-Sze B. Yen, assistant professor, pathology: *Co-Infection by Hepatitis B Virus in AIDS.*

Today/Tomorrow

26 Saturday

ANESTHESIA GRAND ROUNDS. HSW 301. 8-10 a.m.

TEAR GAS CERTIFICTION CLASS: $20. Laguna Honda Schl. Conf. Rm. 9 a.m.-noon. Call Chris Yee at 476-5683 for information & to pre-register.*

GREAT EXPECTATIONS PROGRAMS FOR PARENTS: *Couples' Communication: Negotiating Shared Roles.* Leah Potts Fisher, Cntr. for Work & the Family, facilitates this first in the "Working Parent" series. Co-sponsored by UCSF Health Net. A 326. 10 a.m.-noon. Call 476-6667.*

28 Monday

BREAST CANCER SCREENING SCHEDULE

Women can have low-cost mammograms—x-rays to screen for breast cancer—from a mobile van that travels to convenient locations in the Bay Area.

Women need the approval of their physicians to have the mammogram. The procedure takes approximately 20 minutes & costs only $50. To make an appointment call 476-2193 between 9 a.m. & 3 p.m.

The van will be at the following locations for the next two weeks:

- Jan. 28-Feb. 1: Sunset District. On Irving St. between 25th & 26th Aves.
- Feb. 4-8: Richmond District. On 7th Ave. between Geary & Clement.

A $50 mammogram also is available at the Mount Zion radiology department. Call 885-7710.

OTOLARYNGOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *Surgical Management of Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma.* Willard E. Fee, Jr., Oto., Stanford. *Introduction to Tumor Immunology of the Head & Neck.* Robert A. Mickel, Head & Neck Surg., UCLA. S 214. 8-10 a.m.

VAMC NEURORADIOLOGY ROUNDS. 2A56, VAMC. 9:15-10 a.m.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS MEETING: The "H.O.W." Concept. A more structured approach to overeating. Speaker & discussion. N 417. Noon. Call Lia, 476-4251.*

PATHOLOGY SEMINAR: *Selected Topics in Cervical Cancer: Adenocarcinoma & Adenosquamous Carcinoma.* Michael J. Costa, Anat. Path., Emory U. HSW 508. Noon.

LABORATORY MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS: *Can Lifestyle Changes Reverse Coronary Heart Disease? The Lifestyle Heart Trial.* Dean M. Ornish, Med. & Prev. Med. Res. Inst., Sausalito. L 535. 4-4:50 p.m.

EPIDEMIOLOGY & BIOSTATISTICS SEMINAR: *Meta-Analysis of Non-Experimental Studies.* Diana B. Petitti, FCM. C 130. 4-5 p.m.

URORADIOLOGY CONFERENCE. M 464. 5-6 p.m.

29 Tuesday

ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY GRAND ROUNDS: *Residents Forum.* C 701. 8 a.m.

SFGH PEDIATRIC GRAND ROUNDS: *Updates on Hepatitis.* Joel Levine, Ped. Gastroent. Carr Aud., SFGH. 8:30-9:30 a.m.

TRANSFUSION RESEARCH FORUM: *Recent Advances in the Molecular Biology of HCV.* Amy Weiner, Chiron Corp. L 535. 8:30 a.m.

OB/GYN GRAND ROUNDS: *RU486: Potential Uses in Women's Health Care.* Michael Policar, Ob/Gyn, SFGH. S 1364. 9 a.m.

PEDIATRIC NEURORADIOLOGY CONFERENCE. HSE 317. 9 a.m.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS MEETING: Regular OA discussion meeting. N 717B. Noon.*

VAMC EEG READING SESSION. Bldg. 203, Rm. 2A49, VAMC. 3 p.m.

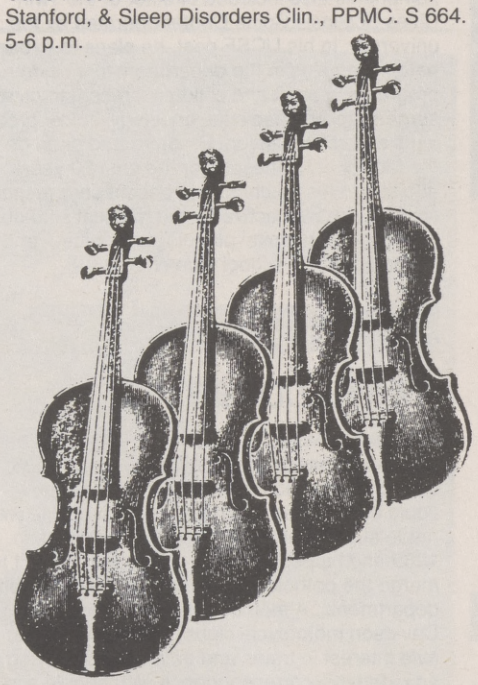
DON'T MISS THE DEADLINE

Tues., Jan. 29 is the deadline for items to be listed in the next calendar, which covers **Feb. 9-22** (two weeks). They must be received in our office in writing by 11 a.m. on that Tuesday. Mail your copy to Michele Firpo at Box 0462, call 476-1541 or send a fax to 665-8668.

SFGH GI MEDICINE/SURGERY/RADIOLOGY IMAGING CONFERENCE. Rm. 1X58, SFGH. 4-5 p.m.

MOLECULAR DIAGNOSTIC SEMINAR: *Optimization & Troubleshooting of PCR.* Randy Saiki, Cetus Corp. L 53 A. 4:45-6 p.m.

NEUROLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *The Application of Sleep Disorders Medicine to Clinical Neurology: Case Presentations.* Bruce Adornato, Neuro., Stanford, & Sleep Disorders Clin., PPMC. S 664. 5-6 p.m.



TWILIGHT CONCERT

Arts & Performances brings us The Stanford String Quartet, who will perform Brahms' "Quartet in C minor, Op. 51, No. 1." Tickets $5/$3. Cole Hall. Reception 5 p.m. Concert 5:45 p.m. Call 476-2542 for information.*

30 Wednesday

PLASTIC SURGERY/ORTHOPEDIC HAND SURGERY GRAND ROUNDS: D & C Conference. Toland Hall. 7 a.m.

SFGH ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY STAFF CONFERENCE. Rm. 5K8, SFGH. 7:30-9 a.m.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY TUMOR BOARD: M 1296. 7:30 a.m. Call coordinator Barbara Blakely, 476-1662.

DERMATOLOGY CONFERENCE: *Management of Genital Warts.* Karl Beutner, Derm. HSW 301. 8-9 a.m.

NUCLEAR MEDICINE SEMINAR: *Integrated PAC's System.* Daniel A. Navarro, Rad. LPPI Aud. 8:30 a.m.

ENDOCRINE GRAND ROUNDS: *Control of Protein Translocation Across the Endoplasmic Reticulum: Insights from apo B & other Complex Proteins of Clinical Relevance.* Vishwanath Lingappa, Physio. & Med. M 1486. 8:30 a.m.

THE LESBIAN SURVIVOR

Breaking the Silence: The Lesbian Survivor—From Incest to Battery. Ruth Hughes, Dept. Public Hlth, SF, & Vindunza Baldino, WOMAN INC. Sponsored by UCSF Rape Prev. Educ. Prog. Toland Hall. Noon-1 p.m. Call 476-5222.*

CORNEA LECTURE SERIES. Harry Hind Library, 95 Kirkham St. Noon.

BROWN BAG LECTURE SERIES: *The Biology of Aging.* Leonard Hayflick, Anat. Sponsored by Campus Tours/Speakers Bureau. HSW 300. Noon. Call 476-4394.*

PARNASSUS AL-ANON MEETING: For friends & families of alcoholics. C 517. Noon-1 p.m.*

WHAT DOES THIS BUTTON DO?

How to Program Your VCR. Henry Baker, Classroom Support Serv. Bring your remote control (if you have one). Sponsored by the Women's Resource Cntr. S 664. Noon-1 p.m. Call 476-0400.*

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING: Closed meeting: alcoholics only. UCSF-Mission Center (MCB), Rm. 300C. 12:05 p.m.*

HEAD & NECK TUMOR CONFERENCE. A 723. 1 p.m.

PSYCHIATRY GRAND ROUNDS: *Two Models of Adaptation in Adolescents.* Hans Steiner, Child Psych., Stanford. LPPI Aud. 1-2 p.m.

SEMINARS IN BIOLOGY: *Biogenesis of Messenger RNA in African Trypanosomes.* Elizabetta Ullu, Int. Med., Yale. HSW 300. 4 p.m.

CHILD NEUROLOGY CONFERENCE. M 666. 4:30 p.m.

PATHOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *Liposome/Cell Interactions.* Daniel Friend, Path. HSW 508. 5:30-6:30 p.m.

GREAT EXPECTATIONS PROGRAMS FOR PARENTS: *Pre-Pregnancy Planning.* Jeanette Brown, Tekoa King & Gloria Thornton, Great Expectations. Third in the "Thinking About Parenthood" series. Co-sponsored by UCSF Health Net. A 326. 7-9 p.m. Call 476-6667.*

31 Thursday

MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS: *Gout.* Lloyd H. Smith, Med. Toland Hall. 8-9 a.m.

SFGH NEUROLOGY/NEUROSURGERY CONFERENCE. 4H2, SFGH. 8-9 a.m.

PEDIATRIC GRAND ROUNDS: *HIV Cardiomyopathy.* David F. Teitel, Ped. S 664. 8:30-9:30 a.m.

OPHTHALMOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *The Development of Guidelines for Cataract Surgery.* Denis M. O'Day, Oph., Vanderbilt U. Preceded by case presentations: *Strabismus.* S 214. 8:30-10 a.m.

SFGH TRAUMA CENTER CONFERENCE. Rm. 4H2, SFGH. 9-10 a.m.

NEUROLOGY/NEURORADIOLOGY CONFERENCE. HSE 317. 10-11 a.m.

FAMILY & COMMUNITY MEDICINE/PRIMARY CARE LECTURE SERIES: *Low Back Pain & Joint Exam.* Nancy Byl, Phys. Ther. A 455. 10 a.m.-noon.

PEDIATRIC TUMOR CONFERENCE. L 34. 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

PATHOLOGY SEMINAR: *Pathologic Predictors of Breast Cancer Recurrence in Patients Treated with Conservative Surgery & Radiation Therapy.* James L. Connolly, Path., Harvard. HSW 508. Noon.

ORAL BIOLOGY 220 SEMINAR: *MHC: Detection of Polymorphism & Alloreactivity.* Marvin R. Garovoy, Surg. & Immunogen. & Transplant. Lab. S 664. Noon-1 p.m.

MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY SEMINAR: *Activities at the Center for the Vulnerable Child, Children's Hospital, Oakland.* Linnea Klee, Res., Children's Hosp., Oklnd. Rm. 218, Laguna Honda Schl. Noon-1 p.m.

CURRENT ISSUES IN AGING LECTURE: *Update on Alzheimer's Disease Research.* Jay Luxenberg, Med. LPPI Aud. 12:10-1 p.m.

GRADUATE GROUP IN BIOPHYSICS SEMINAR: *A 70 Kilodalton Heat Shock Related Protein: Surprises in a Structure.* David McKay, Cell Bio., Stanford. S 980. 1 p.m.

JOINT CANCER PATIENT DATA PROGRAM, CRI & EPIDEMIOLOGY & BIOSTATISTICS SEMINAR: *Cancer in India.* P. Gangadharan, Cancer Epid., Regional Cancer Cntr., Trivandrum, India. HSE 322. 4-5 p.m.

MEDICINE/SURGERY ADULT CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION CONFERENCE. L 1361. 4-6 p.m.

ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY STAFF CONFERENCE. A 630. 4-5 p.m.

NEURORADIOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS. HSW 303. 4 p.m.

NEUROSCIENCE GRADUATE PROGRAM SEMINAR: *Axon Guidance of Acetylcholine & GABA by Retinal Neurons.* Christine Holt, UCSD. HSW 300. 4 p.m.

PRIMARY CARE GRAND ROUNDS: *Hematuria in Adults.* Douglas Bauer, Med., VAMC. A 455. 4:30 p.m.

NEUROSURGERY GRAND ROUNDS. HSW 302. 5-6:30 p.m.

RADIATION ONCOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *Hypoxia-Selective Radiosensitizers & Cytotoxins Targeted to DNA by Non-Covalent Binding.* William R. Wilson, Res., U Auckland, New Zealand. L 34. 5 p.m.

RADIOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *Limb Salvage Technology for the Treatment of Primary Sarcomas of the Extremities.* James O. Johnston, Orth. Onc. HSW 301. 5:15-6:15 p.m.

CHILD & TEEN WEIGHT MANAGEMENT

SHAPEDOWN, a child & adolescent weight management program that involves the family, begins Jan. 31 for children and Feb. 21 for teens. Classes meet Thursdays from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Class size is limited. Call the Pediatric Obesity Clinic at 476-4575 for information & to pre-register.*

COLE HALL CINEMA: *Ghost.* Children under 14 $2; UCSF students & MU members $2.50; students, seniors & UCSF employees (today only) $3; general $3.50. Cole Hall. 5:45 & 8:15 p.m. Come enjoy the new projectors!*

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING: Closed meeting: alcoholics only. LPPI A 222. 6 p.m.*

UCSF BLACK HERITAGE MONTH EVENTS

UCSF celebrates black heritage throughout the month of February with a number of special events, including those below.

- Tues., Feb. 5: *Callin' It As She Sees It: A Conversation with bell hooks.* bell hooks, a writer, teacher & lecturer, examines how race & gender images are manipulated in mass media. Cole Hall. Noon-1 p.m. Call 476-0400.*
- Sat., Feb. 9: *The UCSF Black Caucus Gala Affair.* Wear evening attire for this gala dance with hors d'oeuvres & raffle. Must be 21 to attend. Tickets $25, no sales at door. Grand Hyatt, 345 Stockton St. 8 p.m.-1 a.m. Call 476-1672 or 476-2276 for tickets.*
- Fri., Feb. 15: *Cole Hall Matinee Cabaret: Diane Ferlatte.* Bay Area storyteller weaves African-American tales. Cole Hall. Noon. Special children's performance at 10:30 a.m. Call 476-2542.*
- Thurs., Feb. 21: *Female Rap Rising—The State of Women in Hip Hop.* Dominique DiPrima, rapper, actress & host of KRON TV's "Home Turf," examines the role of women, especially in the rap world. Toland Hall. Noon-1 p.m. Call 476-0400.*
- Fri., Feb. 22: *Healthy People 2000: How Does the Black Community Get There?* Black Nurses Symposium followed by reception. $25. Cole Hall. 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Call 476-2595.*
- Wed., Feb. 27: *Black Vendor's Fair & Bone Marrow/Blood Drive.* MU Conf. Cntr. Noon. "Eyes on the Prize" also will be shown throughout the day in the Med. Sci. lobby.*

1 Friday

CRI HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY JOURNAL CLUB. M 1296. 8 a.m.

MOUNT ZION MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS. Herbst Hall, Mt. Zion. 8:30-9:30 a.m.

RECEPTORS & SIGNALING

Dept. of Medicine sponsors this research symposium on receptors & signaling. Ronald Evans, HHMI & Salk Inst., is keynote speaker. UCSF-Laurel Heights Conf. Cntr. 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Call 476-2172 to pre-register.*

PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMISTRY 220 SEMINAR: *Voronoi Binding Site Models.* Gordon Crippen, Pharm. Chem., U Mich. S 1364. 11 a.m.

SURGERY RESIDENT RESEARCH DAY

A full day of faculty & resident research presentations highlighted by a talk by the Dept. of Surgery's J. Englebert Dunphy Visiting Professor: *Glucose & Amino Acid Kinetics in Cancer Bearing Men.* Murray F. Brennan, Surg., Mem. Sloan-Kettering Cancer Inst., NY. Toland Hall. 11:15 a.m. (Also see Surgery Grand Rounds, Sat., Dec. 2.)

INSTITUTE OF HEALING ARTS & SCIENCES LECTURE: *The Power of Empowerment.* Lourdes Billingsly. N 721. Noon-1 p.m.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING: All are invited. HSE 336. Noon-1 p.m.*

JOINT BRAIN TUMOR RESEARCH CENTER/ RADIATION ONCOLOGY SEMINAR: *Biological Basis of Human Tumor Radioresistance.* Jeffrey Schwartz, Bio. & Med. Res., Argonne Natl. Lab. S 214. Noon-1 p.m.

COLE HALL CINEMA: *Ghost.* Children under 14 $2; UCSF students & MU members $2.50; students & seniors $3; general $3.50. Cole Hall. 6:30 & 9 p.m. Come enjoy the new projectors!*

2 Saturday

ANESTHESIA GRAND ROUNDS. HSW 301. 8-10 a.m.

OWL CONFERENCE

Older Women's League (OWL) Conference: You Can Be the Center of Your Life. Martha Holstein, ethicist, Hastings Inst., is keynote speaker. Conference focuses on issues faced by women as they age in our society. $15-$25. Co-sponsored by the Women's Resource Cntr. C 701. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Call 550-1600 or 826-6023 to pre-register.*

SURGERY GRAND ROUNDS: *Management of Soft Tissue Sarcoma.* Murray Brennan, J.E. Dunphy Visiting Prof., Mem. Sloan-Kettering Cancer Cntr., NY. Toland Hall. 8:30-9:30 a.m.

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GREAT EXPECTATIONS PROGRAMS FOR PARENTS: *The Components of "Quality Time."* Rivka Greenberg, private practice, facilitates this second in the "Working Parent" series. Co-sponsored by UCSF Health Net. A 326. 10 a.m.-noon. Call 476-6667.*

LOW VISION FORUM

Rehabilitation counselor Al Gil discusses the intensive, live-in training program at the Orientation Cntr. for the Blind in Albany. A series of forums held on the first & third Saturdays of each month. Clinical Eye Res. Bldg., 374 Parnassus. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Call Frances Neer at 626-5313 for information.*

4 Monday

OTOLARYNGOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *Diving Medicine.* Allen M. Dekelboum, Oto. *Head & Neck Radiology.* William P. Dillon, Rad. S 214. 8-10 a.m.

VAMC NEURORADIOLOGY ROUNDS. 2A56, VAMC. 9:15-10 a.m.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS MEETING: The "H.O.W." Concept. A more structured approach to overeating. Speaker & discussion. N 417. Noon. Call Lia, 476-4251.*

LABORATORY MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS: *Molecular Mechanisms of Thrombin Action.* David Hung, CRI & Hem. & Onc. L 535. 4-4:50 p.m.

PEDIATRIC UROLOGY CONFERENCE. M 464. 5-6 p.m.

5 Tuesday

ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY GRAND ROUNDS: *Orthognathic Surgery & Alveolar Cleft Bone Grafting in Cleft Lip Patients.* Leonard Kaban, Oral & Max. Surg. C 701. 8 a.m.

SFGH PEDIATRIC GRAND ROUNDS: *Pediatric Burns.* Jan Horn, Surg., SFGH. Carr Aud., SFGH. 8:30-9:30 a.m.

GERIATRIC GRAND ROUNDS: *Metabolic Disturbances During Infection: An Approach to the Syndrome of Wasting.* Carl Grunfeld, Med. & Met. Sect., VAMC. LPPI Aud. 8:30-10 a.m.

TRANSFUSION RESEARCH FORUM: *AIDS as Immune System Activation: An Update.* Michael Ascher, Viral & Rickettsial Dis. Lab., State Dept. of Hlth. L 535. 8:30 a.m.

NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION: S 214. 8:30 a.m.-noon. Call Lenard Florendo at 476-1073 to schedule.

PEDIATRIC NEURORADIOLOGY CONFERENCE. HSE 317. 9 a.m.

SFGH MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS. Carr Aud., SFGH. 11:30 a.m.

CAMPUS AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL MEETING: Meets first Tuesday of each month. HSE 332. Noon-1 p.m. Call David Campbell at 476-2335.*

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS MEETING: Regular OA discussion meeting. N 717B. Noon.*

BAY AREA WOMEN IN THE MARKETPLACE: Lee Nold, president, ProServ, presents a lecture in ongoing series featuring successful Bay Area women entrepreneurs. Sponsored by Campus Tours/Speakers Bureau & Women's Resource Cntr. HSW 303. Noon-1 p.m. Call 476-4394.*

VAMC EEG READING SESSION. Bldg. 203, Rm. 2A49, VAMC. 3 p.m.

SFGH GI MEDICINE/SURGERY/RADIOLOGY IMAGING CONFERENCE. Rm. 1X58, SFGH. 4-5 p.m.

NEUROLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *The Blood-Brain Barrier: Expanding the Definition.* Linda Noble, Neurosurg. S 664. 5-6 p.m.

6 Wednesday

PLASTIC SURGERY GRAND ROUNDS: *A New Treatment Modality for Managing Lower Extremity Ulcers.* George W. Cherry, Derm., Slade Hosp., Oxford, England. Davies Med. Cntr. 7 a.m.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY TUMOR BOARD: M 1296. 7:30 a.m. Call coordinator Barbara Blakely, 476-1662.

OCCUPATIONAL & ENVIRONMENTAL MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS: *DMSA Chelation Therapy for Lead Intoxication.* Michael Kosnett, Occ. Med. A 455. 8-9 a.m.

*Open to the public.

DERMATOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *Neonatal Herpes.* Steve Kohl, Ped. Inf. Dis., SFGH. HSW 301. 8-9 a.m.

NUCLEAR MEDICINE SEMINAR: Interesting Cases of the Month. LPPI Aud. 8:30 a.m.

PROTEIN MODELING TELECONFERENCE

Developing & Using Protein Molecules. Features Irwin D. Kuntz, Pharm. Chem.; Jonathan Greer, Abbott Labs; Wayne A. Hendrickson, Columbia; Martin Karplus, Harvard. Co-sponsored by the Off. Acad. Affairs, American Chemical Society & Digital Equip. Corp. Cole Hall. 9 a.m.-noon. Call Kathie Jensen at 882-3737 to pre-register.*

CORNEA LECTURE SERIES. Harry Hind Library, 95 Kirkham St. Noon.

BROWN BAG LECTURE SERIES: *Yan Can Cook.* Chef Martin Yan, KQED. Sponsored by Campus Tours/Speakers Bureau. HSW 300. Noon-1 p.m. Call 476-4394.*

PARNASSUS AL-ANON MEETING: For friends & families of alcoholics. C 517. Noon-1 p.m.*

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING: All are invited. UCSF-Mission Center (MCB), Rm. 300C. 12:05 p.m.*

PSYCHIATRY GRAND ROUNDS: *Clinical Implications of Research in Psychiatric Genetics.* Nelson Freimer, Psychr. LPPI Aud. 1-2 p.m.

HEAD & NECK TUMOR CONFERENCE. A 723. 1 p.m.

SEMINARS IN BIOLOGY: *Molecular Biology of Visual Pigmentation.* Jeremy Nathans, Mol Bio. & Genet., Johns Hopkins. HSW 300. 4 p.m.

SFGH GI MEDICINE/SURGERY PATIENT CARE CONFERENCE. Rm. 4H2, SFGH. 4:30 p.m.

CHILD NEUROLOGY CONFERENCE. M 666. 4:30 p.m.

UROPHYSIOLOGY CONFERENCE. M 464. 5-6 p.m.

PATHOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *Forensic Pathology.* Boyd Stephens, Med. Examiner, SF Coroner's Off. HSW 508. 5:30-6:30 p.m.

GREAT EXPECTATIONS PROGRAMS FOR PARENTS: *Childbirth Choices.* Gloria Thornton, Great Expectations. Last in the "Thinking About Parenthood" series. Co-sponsored by UCSF Health Net. A 326. 7-9 p.m. Call 476-6667.*

CENTER FOR PREHOSPITAL RESEARCH & TRAINING JOURNAL CLUB: *High-Dose Epinephrine in Cardiac Arrest.* Charles Brown, Med., Ohio State. *When Early Defibrillation is Not Enough.* James Niemann, Med, Harbor-UCLA Med. Cntr. LS-100R. 7-9 p.m.

7 Thursday

SSSI-STONE SYMPOSIUM FEB. 7-9

A Diverse Domain: Symbolic Interaction Faces the '90s. More than 11 separate sessions with keynote speaker Renato Rosaldo, author of *Culture & Truth.* Sponsored by Gregory Stone Mem. Fund, the Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, various UCSF units & others. Students $10. SSSI Members $30. Faculty $40. Banquet with keynote speech $30. Register at Toland Hall. For information & to pre-register call 476-2453 or 476-0694.*

MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS: *Outcome of Intubated ICU Patients.* Maxine Papadaxis, Med. Toland Hall. 8-9 a.m.

SFGH NEUROLOGY/NEUROSURGERY CONFERENCE. 4H2, SFGH. 8-9 a.m.

PEDIATRIC GRAND ROUNDS: *New Perspectives on Perinatal Asphyxia: The Role of Excitatory Amino Acids.* Donna M. Ferriero, Neuro. & Ped. S 664. 8:30-9:30 a.m.

OPHTHALMOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *Newer Infectious Keratopathies.* David Hwang, Oph. Preceded by case presentations: *Pathology.* S 214. 8:30-10 a.m.

SFGH TRAUMA CENTER CONFERENCE. Rm. 4H2, SFGH. 9-10 a.m.

FAMILY & COMMUNITY MEDICINE/PRIMARY CARE LECTURE SERIES: *AIDS.* Mitchell Katz, Ob/Gyn. *Diagnostic Testing.* Steven Cummings, Med. & Epid. A 455. 10 a.m.-noon.

NEUROLOGY/NEURORADIOLOGY CONFERENCE. HSE 317. 10-11 a.m.

OPHTHALMIC PLASTIC & RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY: *Surgical Rehabilitation in Thyroid Eye Disease.* Stuart R. Seiff, Oph. Eye Clin. Conf. Rm., 7th fl. ACC. 10:30-11:45 a.m.

PEDIATRIC TUMOR CONFERENCE. L 34. 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

PATHOLOGY SEMINAR: *Urinary Tract Cytology.* Howard Epstein, Path. HSW 508. Noon.

ORAL BIOLOGY 220 SEMINAR: *Cell Biology of the Macrophage.* Zena Werb, Anat., Rad. & Lab. Radiobio. & Env. Hlth. S 664. Noon-1 p.m.

CURRENT ISSUES IN AGING LECTURE: *Impact of Chronic Illness on Mental Health.* Linda Mitteness, Med. Anth. LPPI Aud. 12:10-1 p.m.

BOLDREY LECTURE

What Can Modern Peripheral Nerve Surgery Achieve? Alan R. Hudson, Neurosurg., U Toronto. Refreshments served. Ninth Annual Edwin B. Boldrey Lecture sponsored by Dept. Neurosurg. HSW 303. 4-5 p.m. Call 476-1087.

NEURORADIOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS. HSW 303. 4 p.m.

MEDICINE/SURGERY ADULT CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION CONFERENCE. L 1361. 4-6 p.m.

ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY STAFF CONFERENCE. A 630. 4-5 p.m.

NEUROSCIENCE GRADUATE PROGRAM SEMINAR: *Neurobiology of Birdsong: Specialized Neural Circuits for a Learned Behavior.* Allison Doupe, Bio., CalTech. HSW 300. 4 p.m.

PRIMARY CARE GRAND ROUNDS. A 455. 4:30 p.m.

NEUROSURGERY GRAND ROUNDS. HSW 302. 5-6:30 p.m.

RADIOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS: *The Upper Abdomen: Anatomy & Abscesses.* Robert A. Halvorsen, Jr., Rad. HSW 301. 5:15-6:15 p.m.

COLE HALL CINEMA: *White Palace.* Children under 14 $2; UCSF students & MU members $2.50; students, seniors & UCSF employees (today only) $3; general $3.50. Cole Hall. 5:45 & 8 p.m. Come enjoy the new projectors!*

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING: Closed meeting: alcoholics only. LPPI A 222. 6 p.m.*

UROLOGY JOURNAL CLUB MEETING: 50 Lopez Ave., SF. 6:30 p.m. Call 564-7115.

WHY CAN'T I REMEMBER?

Medical Evaluation of Memory Loss. Peter W. Moseley, Memory & Alzheimer's Cntr., differentiates Alzheimer's Disease from other forms of memory loss. Community Health Talk sponsored by the Public Serv. Outreach Programs. Free parking available. HSW 300. 7 p.m. Call 476-8429.*

8 Friday

CRI HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY JOURNAL CLUB. M 1296. 8 a.m.

MOUNT ZION MEDICINE GRAND ROUNDS. Herbst Hall, Mt. Zion. 8:30-9:30 a.m.

PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMISTRY 220 SEMINAR: *Analysis of the 3-Dimensional Structure & Dynamics of the Regulatory Calcium Binding Protein Calbindin D9(k) & of 32 Base-Pair Models of Holliday Junction Intermediate in DNA Recombination.* Walter Chazin, Mol. Bio., Res. Inst. of Scripps Clin. S 1364. 11 a.m.

INSTITUTE OF HEALING ARTS & SCIENCES LECTURE: *Working With Dreams.* John Carmody. N 721. Noon-1 p.m.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING: All are invited. HSE 336. Noon-1 p.m.*

COLE HALL CINEMA: *White Palace.* Children under 14 $2; UCSF students & MU members $2.50; students & seniors $3; general $3.50. Cole Hall. 6:30 & 8:45 p.m. Come enjoy the new projectors!*

AIDS HEALTH PROJECT BENEFIT

Adair & Armstrong & the Film Arts Fndt. present the premiere of *Absolutely Positive*, which takes an intimate look at people living with HIV. All proceeds to benefit the UCSF AIDS Health Project. Reception & screening $35. 6:30 p.m. Screening only $10. 8 p.m. Castro Theatre, 429 Castro St. Call 476-6430.*

DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING

For further information call 476-4032.

Financial Planning & Your UC Benefits. Wed., Feb. 6. 2-4 p.m. $10.

Self-Assessment for Career Planning. Wed., Feb. 6, 13, 20 & 27. 8:30 a.m.-noon. $25.

Cost Transfers. Wed., Feb. 20. 1-4 p.m. $10.

Telephone Communication Skills Training. Wed., Feb. 27. 1-4 p.m. $10.

Labor Relations Supervisory Series. Tues., Mar. 5, 12, 19. 8:30 a.m.-noon. $10.

Career Directions at UCSF. Wed., Mar. 6, 13, 20. 8:30 a.m.-noon. $20.

Communicating with Confidence: A Workshop for Non-Managers. Wed., Mar. 6 & 13. 1-4 p.m. $30.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

MEDICINE

For program information call 476-4251, registration 476-5808.

Information at Your Fingertips: Using Computers for Toxicological & Occupational Health Research. N 735. Feb. 8-9.

6th Annual Primary Care Medicine: Concepts & Controversies. Snowmass, CO. Feb. 16-23.

Advances in Endocrinology & Metabolism. Sheraton Palace Hotel, SF. Mar. 6-7.

Diabetes Update. Sheraton Palace Hotel, SF. Mar. 8-9.

Annual Review in Family Medicine: Controversies & Challenges in Primary Care. Cathedral Hill Hotel, SF. Mar. 27-29.

Advances in Emergency Medicine. Sheraton Palace Hotel, SF. Apr. 3-6.

Rheumatology for Primary Care Physicians. Sheraton Palace Hotel, SF. Apr. 25-27.

DENTISTRY

For further information call 476-1101.

Update in Periodontics. Stockton Hilton, Stockton, CA. Feb. 1.

Advances in Materials & Concepts to Restore the Devastated Dentition. C 701. Feb. 22.

Periodontal & Restorative Considerations for the Adult Orthodontic Patient. C 701. Feb 23.

Bringing Periodontal Science to the Dental Practice: A National Telesymposium. SF & other sites. Mar. 8.

Crown & Bridge Study Group. UCSF. Mar. 9.

Enamel Ceramics: An Esthetic & Restorative Alternative. UCSF. Mar. 16.

WOMEN'S RESOURCES

Sponsored by UCSF Women's Resource Center unless otherwise noted. Call 476-0400 for locations.

GROUPS

Ongoing drop-in groups for women.

Women Living with Life-Altering Illness. Every other Monday.

Lesbian Lunch Group. C 213. First & third Mon. of each month.

Latin Women Coalition. S 30. Call for dates.

Circle of Sisters. Black women's group. L 535. Every Fri.

Support Group for Divorced & Separated Women. Every Tues

AIDS/ARC/HIV+ SUPPORT

Anonymous & confidential caring, support & training for people with AIDS or ARC, those who have tested HIV positive & others affected by the epidemic. Sponsored by UCSF AIDS Health Project. Call 476-6430.*

Individual Risk Assessment & Referrals. By appointment.

Facilitated 8-week Groups. For anyone affected, at risk or infected.

Drop-in Group for the Recently Tested.

Positives Being Positive. Support groups in the community meet regularly. Call 476-3902.

Living with HIV. Public forums every other month.

HELP ELIMINATE SCHEDULING CONFLICTS

In order to help the campus avoid conflicts in scheduling important events, the News & Public Information Services Department has a computerized calendar. It is suggested that faculty, students & staff call 476-1541 when they are planning an event to make sure nothing has been scheduled for that date. Please note that in order to reserve campus conference rooms & auditoriums, it is still necessary to call Millberry Union at 476-2571, Room Reservations at 476-4436, Faculty/Alumni House at 476-4723, Laurel Heights at 476-8100 or the individual school or department.

Benefits/Personnel

Multiply this Photo by Seven or Eight

What if your department had 100 people and everybody showed up wearing the same shirt? That was pretty much the case in the campus Accounting Office a couple of Fridays ago. Everyone wore black t-shirts inscribed with "Everybody Counts" (as modeled here by some good-natured members of the Accounts Payable unit). The origin of the shirts? The department recently had a celebration to recognize some fine things about its members, including their diversity (employees originate from about15 countries around the world) and their dedicated service (about 65% were recognized for five-year increments of service ranging from 5 to 35 years). Add to that the fact that everybody does indeed count in more ways than one — so everyone got a shirt! You can see that the front of the shirt shows a computer terminal. The back has a pen and quill. It's the future and past of accounting.

Promotions

Promotions are made available to this publication after they are processed by the Personnel Department.

James Aaron, physical plant laborer (A), capital resources management.

Jennifer Akiyama, staff research associate II, CVRI.

Donna Alfonso, administrative assistant III, nursing administration.

Melanie Alhambra, billing assistant II, medical group business services.

Carmencita Alim, clinical laboratory technologist, clinical labs, immunology.

Luna Angeles, principal clerk, anatomic pathology.

Maria Avenido, administrative assistant II, CVRI.

Carlos Ballesteros, hospital clinical laboratories assistant II, clinical labs.

Linda Biddle, senior administrative analyst, medicine, SFGH.

Vicki Bunnett, management services officer II, social & behavioral sciences, School of Nursing.

Gina Bunton, clinics assistant II-supervisor, dentistry/clinics.

Lisa Carella, student programs assistant III, medicine.

Romeo Castellanos, hospital radiology assistant II, radiology.

Marian Castillo, clinical laboratory technologist, clinical labs, blood bank.

Wilson Chin, associate chief nuclear medicine technologist, laboratory medicine-nuclear medicine, SFGH.

Lillian Crist, administrative assistant II, environmental health & safety.

Aurora Dacumos, billing assistant II, accounts receivable.

Maricela Davila, billing assistant II, medicine, SFGH.

Virginia Davis, principal clerk, animal care/cell culture.

Susan Decker, senior physician's assistant, renal center.

Cathy Duran, administrative assistant I, pediatrics.

Carmina Espiritu, laboratory assistant II, epidemiology & biostatistics.

Jennifer Fields-Pryor, senior head linen service worker/senior linen service worker, laundry linen services.

Daisy Fleming, administrative assistant I, surgery, liver transplant.

Betty Geraldizo, collections representative, accounts receivable.

John Gilbert, administrative assistant II, anatomy.

Gina Gomez, secretary II, laboratory medicine.

Nathaniel Green, senior food service worker, nutrition & dietetics.

Robert Gutierrez, principal clerk, anatomic pathology.

Robin Hoefs, clinical laboratory technologist, surgery, immunogenetics.

Yvonne Holaday, administrative assistant I, CVRI.

Sumi Hoshiko, staff research associate II, medicine/AIDS/oncology.

Winnie Huang, hospital clinical laboratory assistant II, laboratory medicine, clinical labs, SFGH.

Yalile Huayllasco, accounting assistant I, accounting office.

Meredith Jed, director, community and governmental relations, Public Service Outreach Programs.

Nancy Jewett, staff research associate I, pharmacology.

E. Nellie Kaufer, clinical social worker I, LPPI.

Steffani Kizziar, principal clerk, accounts receivable.

Catherine Klumpp, staff research associate I, LPPI.

Anna Knox, hospital research project assistant I, ob/gyn, SFGH.

Michael Kohl, administrative assistant I, biochemistry.

Phelice Lampkin, parking assistant/senior custodian, parking operations.

Fatima Macalpin, family planning assistant I, ob/gyn.

Olga Mandrussow, administrative assistant II, surgery.

Petronila Manuel, billing assistant II, patient accounts.

Sherry Markrow, staff research associate III, Proctor Foundation.

Samuel Mayhew, administrative analyst, medicine/AIDS/oncology, SFGH.

Julie Michler, administrative assistant III, medicine.

Linda Ng, administrative assistant III, medicine, SFGH.

Rose Okragly, administrative assistant II, Health Net.

Fun Zone

It's "Dine with Your Valentine" Time

If you're looking for a delicious way to celebrate Valentine's Day, consider EMPACT!'s third annual "Dine With Your Valentine Extravaganza" at the California Culinary Academy on Monday, February 11.

In the words of EMPACT!'s Gail Mametsuka, it's a buffet "as big as a basketball court" (with a dessert tray to match). The evening includes no-host cocktails at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. and romantic entertainment (a strolling violinist).

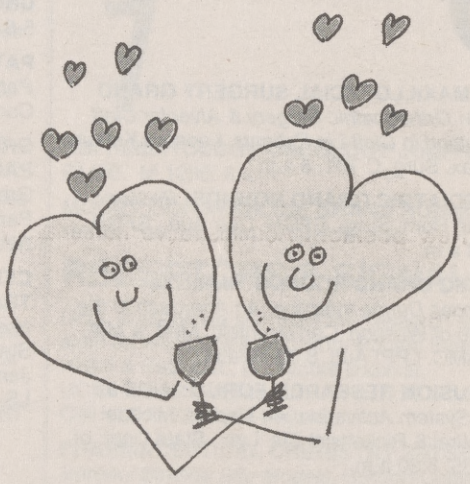
Make your reservation at the MU Central Desk. Tickets are $38 per person. There's no law that says you have to arrive with a Valentine. You can bring anyone you want, or organize a group. Or just bring yourself and concentrate on the food. If you work at one of the satellite locations, you can make phone reservation for this or any other EMPACT! event. Call 476-2675.

Other news:

• **Walt Disney World on Ice — correction.** The "High EMPACT!" newsletter has this event listed as taking place on Saturday, March 16. Take note: The correct date is Saturday, February 16. Time: Noon. Place: Cow Palace. Tickets are $10.50 (regular $11.50) at MU Central Desk.

• **Stanford String Quartet.** Arts & Performances presents the Bay Area's premier string quartet at its annual Twilight Concert on Tuesday, January 29, at 5:45 p.m. in Cole Hall (Wine and cheese reception at 5 p.m.). Performing Brahms' Quartet in C Minor, Op. 51, No. 1. Tickets $5 general/$3 students.

• **Valentine sales and deliveries.** EMPACT!



and the Sunnyside Up Gift Shop on 9th Avenue are co-sponsoring a Valentine's sale featuring Joseph Schmidt confections on Wednesday and Thursday, February 13 and 14, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Med Sci lobby. You can have your goods delivered personally to anyone at any of the UCSF locations by filling out an order form and returning it by February 9. Call 476-6932 for a form.

• **Bicycle Lover's Leap.** Saturday, February 9. Climb the heights of the San Bruno Mountains together, forever. Pre-trip meeting Wednesday, February 7, 6 p.m., Outdoors Unlimited. Call 476-2078 for further information.

Medsounds Continued

Melanoma *(continued from page 8)*

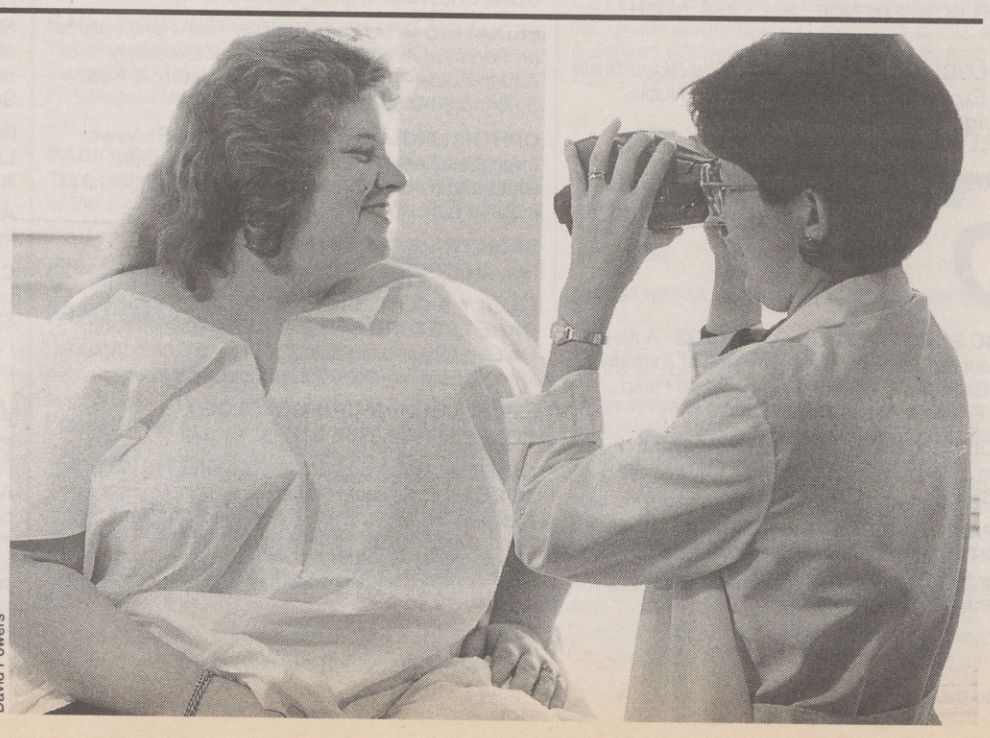
members routinely meet with a clinical psychologist during their first visit. At other centers, a psychologist is not called in unless a physician or social worker feels that the patient may need counseling. At the MZ/UCSF Center, patients who are undergoing therapy, or who have been treated but live with the threat of the cancer returning, routinely receive counseling and may join support groups.

The psychosocial support may be the most valuable service offered to many patients at the melanoma center, says Sagebiel, who initiated this aspect of the clinic more than a decade ago. He agrees with a growing group of practitioners who believe that a healthy frame of mind is part of the recovery process.

Staff at the center work closely with patients and the community to educate them on how to avoid risks and how to recognize warning signs of the cancer.

In some families, individuals have many unusual moles which may turn into melanoma much more frequently than do normal moles. Sagebiel is part of a national study looking at the relationship between these moles and melanoma. Studies like this could provide clues about progression of the disease and how better to recognize early those people who would be at higher risk.

The Melanoma Detection and Treatment Center is the first new component of a UCSF regional cancer center at Mount Zion, the planned headquarters for the combined cancer resources for treatment, research, teaching and prevention of the four UCSF teaching hospitals — Moffitt/Long, San Francisco General Hospital, the VA Medical Center and Mount Zion. For further information, call 885-7546.



David Powers

Physician Linda Shea (right) documents a melanoma follow-up.

Medsounds Continued

New Medical Center Managers, Part II

In the last issue of *Medsounds* we kicked off the new year by introducing several managers and head nurses who began their new positions at some point during 1990. If you missed the article, the introductions included Ron Bailey and Dianne Bittenbender, new managers in HISD; Peggy Cannon, new Pre-SEP manager; Sarah Thayer, new manager of the Behavioral & Developmental Pediatrics Clinic in the ACC; and Monique White, Deanna Sheeley and Erika Zappe, new head nurses on 9 Long, 12 Moffitt and 14 Moffitt, respectively.

Actually, these seven people represented only part of the picture. A poll taken shortly before the end of the year produced quite a list of new managers, head nurses, etc. The introductions in this issue complete the list.

Barbara Walter

New position: Manager, Mount Zion Physician Referral Service, under Planning & Marketing
Previous position: MZ Physician Referral Service (same job, but new to Planning & Marketing Department)
Years at Mount Zion: Off and on since 1972, including 14 years as an ER nurse

Todd Thoma

New position: Manager of Contracting at Mount Zion, under Planning & Marketing
Previous position: Insurance contract negotiator, Planning & Marketing
Years at UCSF: Almost five

Susan Pearl

New position: Administrative Nurse, Orthopaedic Faculty Practice, ACC
Previous position: Staff nurse, Community Hospital in Santa Rosa (Worked at UCSF in 1980-81 as a clerk in GM I, then returned to school to get her nursing degree)

Lois Wong

New position: Administrative nurse/family nurse practitioner, Family Medicine Clinic, ACC
Previous position: Family nurse practitioner, Internal Medicine, Kaiser San Rafael

Elizabeth San Luis

New position: Administrative nurse/pediatric nurse practitioner, Primary Pediatric Clinics I and II, ACC
Previous position: Administrative nurse/Children's Renal Center, ACC
Years at UCSF: 16

Leslie Buhlman

New position: Head nurse, 14 Long (liver transplant, surgery)
Previous position: Assistant head nurse, 14 Long
Years at UCSF: Eight

Joy Kaaz

New position: Head nurse, 7CVS (Cardiovascular special care and pancreas/renal transplants)
Previous position: Head nurse, intensive care unit and ICU transitional unit, Marin General Hospital

BJ Buchan

New position: Head nurse, 8 Long (neurology, neurosurgery)
Previous position: Nurse coordinator, NICU, Vanderbilt University Hospital, Nashville

Tricia Montague

New position: Head Nurse, Pediatric Intensive Care Unit
Previous position: Head nurse, PICU, intermediate care & burn unit, Children's Hospital, Denver, Colorado

Lael Lambert

New position: Head nurse, Pediatric Clinical Research Center (PCRC)
Previous position: Assistant head nurse, 6 Long Medicine (pediatrics)
Years at UCSF: Nine

Estrella Manio

New position: Clinical nurse specialist, pediatric immunology/rheumatology (pediatric HIV nurse coordinator)
Previous position: Nurse educator, Nursing Education Department
Years at UCSF: 23

How to Set Up a Memorial Fund

If you work in a clinical area, perhaps at one point or another you have been asked for advice on setting up a memorial fund. Lisa Considine, director of the patient programs unit of the UCSF Development Office, offers the following information on the subject:

"Many people choose to remember loved ones through the establishment of a fund in their memory. Memorial funds are a thoughtful gesture, and since one can earmark these gifts, they also can generate a substantial amount of funding for patient services, departments, research and education."

Memorial funds are often open-ended, says Lisa. In other words, donations to a fund can continue over the years, on birthdays, anniversaries, holidays, etc.

If you have any questions regarding memorial funds, you can call Lisa at 476-1057; and feel free to refer any calls or correspondence in regard to UCSF memorial funds to the same number.

She notes that checks for memorial funds should always be made payable to "UCSF Foundation," and sent to the UCSF Development Office/Patient Programs in care of a particular fund, San Francisco, CA, 94143-0248.

CCU Relocated Temporarily

The Cardiac Care Unit has been relocated to 14 Moffitt South until Friday, February 22, during the construction of the intersection between 10 East and 10 North. The CCU's phone number is the same, 476-2736.

The 10th floor Moffitt corridor intersection is closed to all traffic during the interim. Also, the Moffitt stairwell, service elevators and materiel services dumbwaiters are not accessible on the 10th floor. All traffic to Moffitt 10 South and 10 Long must use the Long elevators.

The CCU, when complete, will be a contiguous unit comprised of 10 East and 10 North. Target completion date is late spring or early summer.

It Was 11 *Moffitt*

The last issue of *Medsounds* contained a list of winners in the Med Center's holiday decorating contest. Please be advised that under "Second Place," 11 Moffitt should have been listed as one of the winners (along with Telecommunications). This year's theme was "Peace," and 11 Moffitt decorated every single door in the unit accordingly. Hopefully the inadvertent listing of another 11th floor nursing unit as the second place winner did not disturb the peace between the two units.

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A Cure for Racing Hearts

A week after UCSF heart specialists used a burst of radiofrequency energy to disconnect an electrical short circuit in Robby Horansky's heart, the 13-year-old tennis star from Costa Mesa was back on the court practicing for his next tournament.

The delicate procedure performed on Robby, known as a "radiofrequency ablation," produces a lifelong cure without surgery or medication, according to Melvin Scheinman, chief of cardiac electrophysiology.

Robby now smashes serves, charges the net, and dives for return shots with no fear of sending his heart rate soaring to a life-threatening pace.

Robby suffered from a condition known as Wolff-Parkinson-White syndrome. Until a few months ago, patients with WPW and similar heart conditions faced a choice of open heart surgery or a lifetime of drugs to control their irregular heart rhythms.

In a normal heart, a strand of tissue connecting the upper and lower chambers of the heart acts as a pathway for tiny electrical impulses that cause the chambers to beat with a regular rhythm.

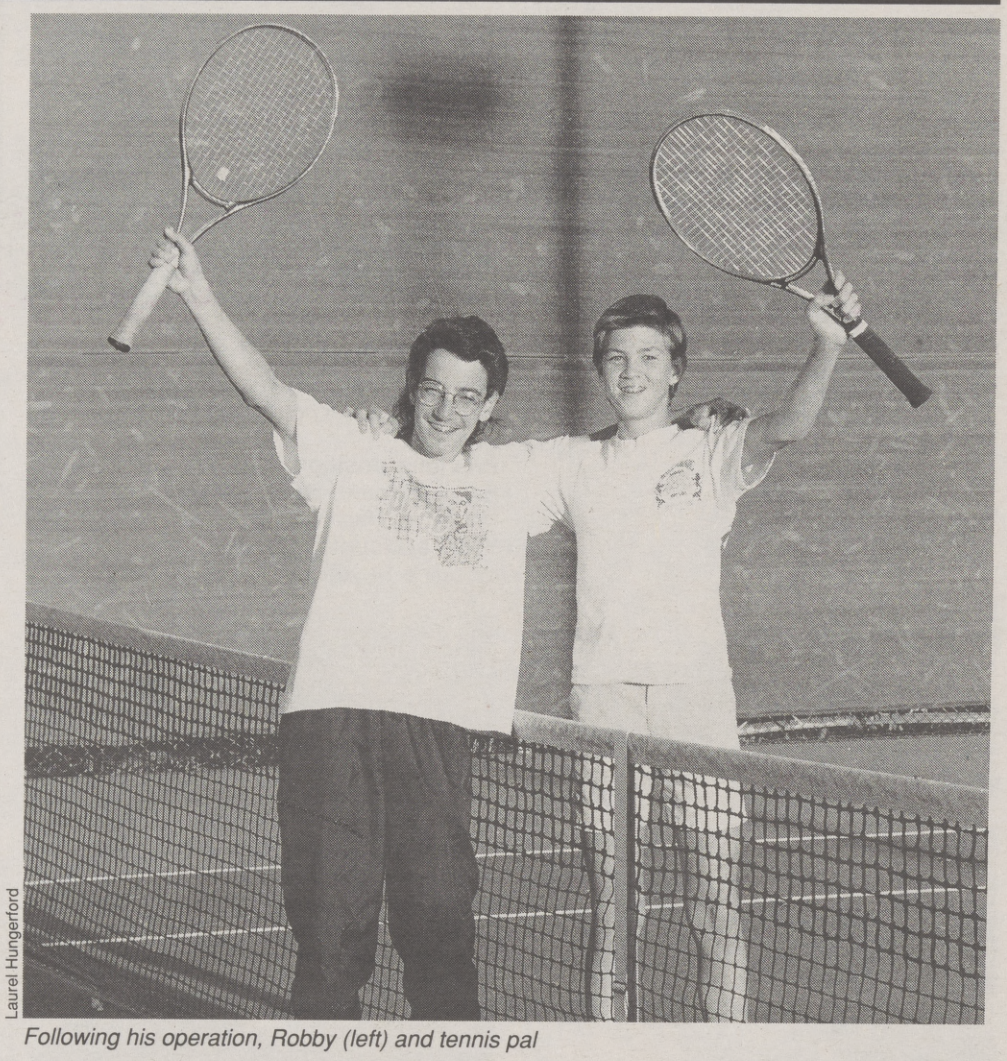
A heart affected by WPW and similar conditions contains an extra pathway of tissue, no larger than a strand of hair, which acts like a short circuit by guiding the electrical impulse out of the proper sequence. This accessory pathway exists in the hearts of more than one of every 1,000 people.

The procedure pioneered at UCSF and a handful of other medical centers uses the same high frequency electromagnetic waves used for radio and television transmission to heat the tip of a wire catheter and cauterize the unwanted strand of tissue that causes the heart to beat at a terrifying and dangerous pace.

Scheinman, who was the the first to perform catheter ablations using direct current electrical energy, was among the first to adapt the use of radiofrequency energy to cut accessory pathways in WPW patients. He and and his colleagues have performed about 55 procedures for WPW and related conditions with a 90 percent success rate. Patients for whom the radiofrequency procedure is not successful receive drug therapy or surgery.

Patients are referred to UCSF for the procedure from throughout California and from as far away as Chile and Japan. Other members of Scheinman's team are Jerry Griffin, associate professor of medicine and cardiology, and Michael Lesh, assistant professor of medicine.

UCSF pediatric cardiologists were the first in the world to adapt the radiofrequency ablation to the special needs of their small patients. A team headed by George Van Hare, chief of pediatric electrophysiology, first used the procedure last year on a 10-month-old boy.



Laurel Hungerford

Following his operation, Robby (left) and tennis pal

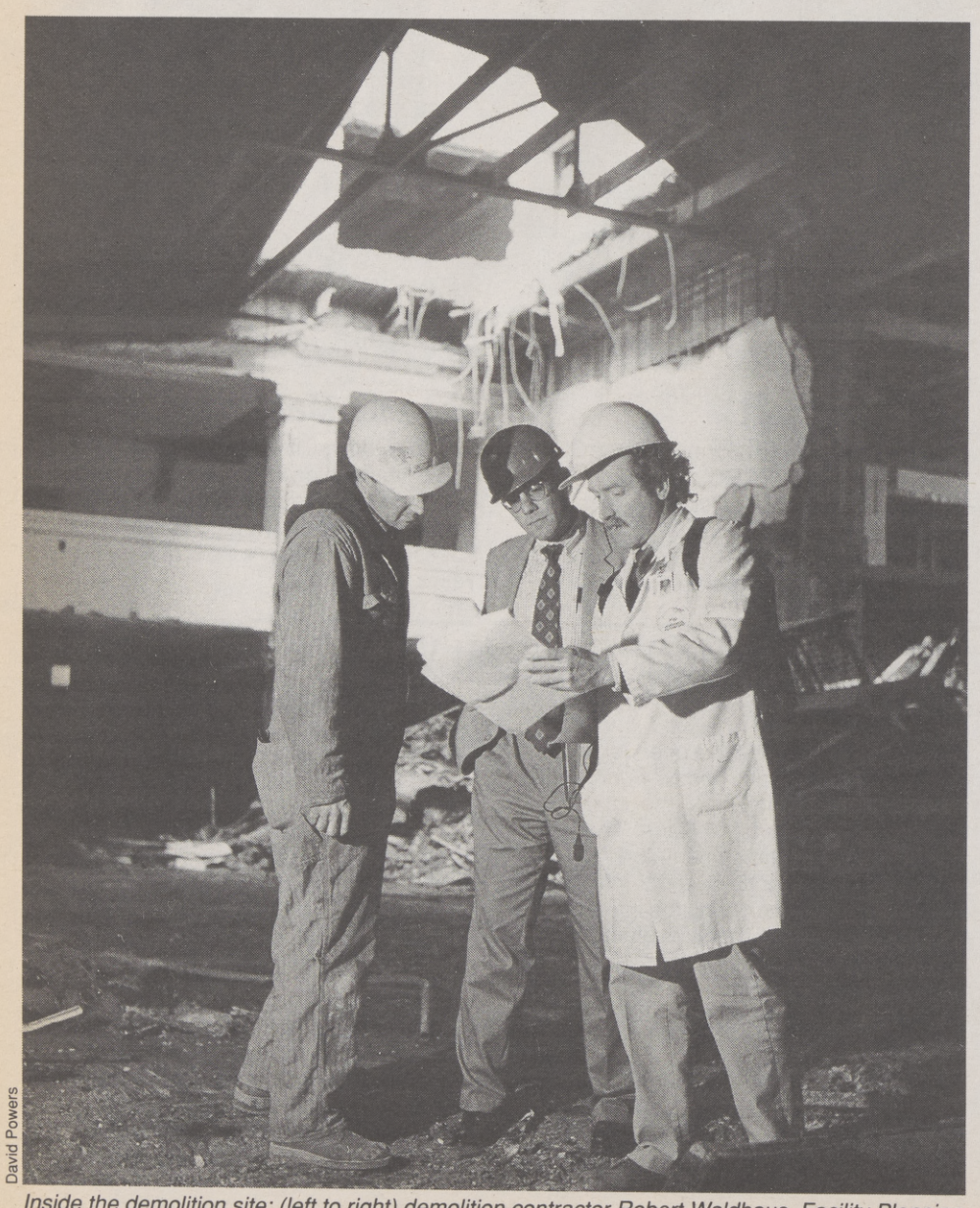
Turning the Sutter Building Inside Out

The demolition of Mount Zion's old Sutter Building knows no wrecking ball. Instead, the seven-story building, which has been vacant since it was badly damaged in the 1989 earthquake, is being taken down one floor at a time, each floor gutted and the contents removed to the outside before the walls are brought down. As described by construction coordinator Rick Crane, it's a careful and calculated process for keeping dust and neighborhood disruption to a minimum.

What will go in its place when the demolition is complete?

Actually, it's all part of a major construction plan that will evolve over a period of years. But the first thing to go up on the Sutter Building site will be some modular buildings, which will house, among other programs, Mount Zion's outpatient services. The present site of outpatient services then will be renovated to house the new Cancer Center headquartered at Mount Zion, a project scheduled to be complete in mid 1992.

Closer to completion are two other important projects: a new pediatric rehabilitation unit on Mount Zion's 6 East, scheduled for completion in early April; and a new oncology nursing unit on 6 West, which, according to Rick, is just about wrapped up.



David Powers

Inside the demolition site: (left to right) demolition contractor Robert Waldhaus, Facility Planning & Construction's Rick Crane and industrial hygienist Carl Lukens from EH&S

Melanoma Center: 5-10 New Patients Weekly

The new UCSF Melanoma Detection and Treatment Center at Mount Zion is seeing 5 to 10 new patients every week, a sign of increasing awareness of the potentially deadly skin cancer, according to Center director and nationally known melanoma expert Richard Sagebiel.

Since 1980, malignant melanoma has jumped from the third most common cancer among women between 15 and 29 to first in that group, and is the ninth most common cancer in the US. While rates for other cancers have stabilized, the incidence of melanoma is climbing 4 to 5 percent per year, faster than any other cancer in the world.

Fortunately, the increased awareness demonstrated by the number of people seeking treatment means they are having their lesions removed earlier, says Sagebiel. In its early stages, melanoma generally is curable, usually by surgical removal of the mole or tumor.

The melanoma program, located on the fourth floor of Mount Zion's Pavilion building, is an expanded version of the pioneering UCSF clinic started in 1971 to coordinate often fragmented care to melanoma patients.

The new Center at Mount Zion is offering consultation to patients and evaluation of suspicious moles and lesions. For melanoma patients, the Center will be offering experimental and new aggressive treatments. These include a highly specialized procedure—isolated heated limb perfusion—offered nowhere else in Northern California, in which chemotherapeutic drugs are put directly into the bloodstream of an arm or leg with the tumor.

Another treatment, biological response modifiers, uses natural and manmade substances—interleukin-2 (IL2) and lymphokine activated killer cells to trigger the body's immune system to fight the cancer.

Hyperthermia—killing tumor cells with heat via microwaves and ultrasound—is used in combination with radiation at UCSF to treat melanoma that recurs even after surgery.

The MZ/UCSF center is different from other melanoma clinics in that patients and family

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Your Project Needs Funding? Proposals Due January 31

If you're working on a proposal for one of the Auxiliary's "Special Projects," it's time to bring it to completion and get it in the mail. The last day to submit proposals is Thursday, January 31. You can send it to the Auxiliary office, Box 0208; or deliver it to M 182, directly across from the cashiers near the Moffitt lobby.

If you are unfamiliar with the Auxiliary's Special Projects program, here's how it works: Each year the organization grants up to $25,000 per proposal for projects that will directly benefit patients and/or families.

Previous projects have included the Meditation Room in the Moffitt lobby and the renovation of a number of rooms used by patients and families, including several solaria (the all-purpose rooms) in Long Hospital, the ICU waiting room, patient dressing rooms in Radiation Oncology, and the morgue viewing room.

Proposals need not constitute anything so major as a room renovation, however. Requests come in all forms and sizes, from equipment, such as TVs and stereos, to toys, books, furniture and many other items used in a variety of ways for patient and family programs.

If you're interested in further information or a proposal form, call the Auxiliary at 476-4906. Call the same number for information on the following:

- Membership drive. Become a member of the Auxiliary and support the organization's good work in the Medical Center. Dues are only $15 a year, and the extent of your participation is up to you.
- "Entertainment 91" Books. This is your last chance to buy these deluxe discount books, offering half-price and two-for-one deals at Bay Area restaurants and entertainment spots.

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